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| For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING AN IMPROVED FINANCIAL DERIVATIVE PRODUCT | : : | |

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 15, 2006 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 15, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The June 15, 2006 Office Action provided a period of 1 month in which to file a response, i.e., by July 15, 2006. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Accordingly, a reply is now due by August 15, 2006 and this Amendment is being timely filed.